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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)

ADDRESS TO:  <b>Commissioner for Patents Mail Stop AF P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450</b>	Attorney Docket No.: <b>98-162</b>  Application No.: <b>09/022,834</b>  USPTO Confirmation No.: <b>6138</b>  Filing Date: <b>February 13, 1998</b>  First Named Inventor: <b>Degendt et al.</b>  Group Art Unit: <b>1765</b>  Examiner: <b>Shamim Ahmed</b>
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This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a reply in the above identified application to and including **September 5, 2003**.

The requested extension and appropriate non-small-entity fee are as follows (check time period desired):

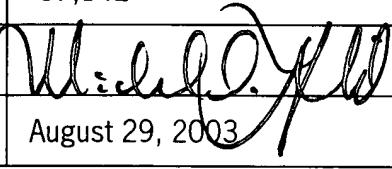
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	One Month (37 CFR 1.17(a)(1))	\$110.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	Two Months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(2))	\$
<input type="checkbox"/>	Three Months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(3))	\$
<input type="checkbox"/>	Four Months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(4))	\$
<input type="checkbox"/>	Five Months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(5))	\$

Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. Therefore, the fee amount shown above is reduced by one-half, and the resulting fee is: \$ .

A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required or to credit any overpayment to Deposit Account Number 13-2490. I have enclosed a duplicate copy of this sheet.

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT REQUIRED

Name	Michael S. Greenfield
Reg. No.	37,142
Signature	
Date	August 29, 2003

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